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Guest Climbing Permit Applicants:

The Bureau of Land Management is now accepting Special Recreation Permits (SRP) applications for the 2015 "Guest Climbing Permits" for Red Rock Canyon National Conservation Area (RRC NCA). If you are interested in applying for the 2015 calendar year you will need to read the following information and submit an application. There have been some changes in the application process and fees associated with the permit. Please read carefully.

There will be twelve Guest Climbing Permits issued per calendar year. These twelve permits will be of two types: four educational and eight commercial. Allocation of the educational (4) and commercial (8) permits may change based on applications received. You may only apply for one type of Guest Climbing Permit. Educational Permits will be treated as organized groups and are for accredited educational institutions only.

Guest Climbing Permits authorize you to conduct commercial guided or educational rock climbing in Red Rock Canyon for up to 10 days in 2015. These 10 days may be split throughout the year. The permits will be issued through a lottery system in the event that we receive more applications than available permits. There will be no preference based on previous year's selections. This lottery is typically very competitive.

The complete SRP application must be post marked by **September 30, 2014**. Incomplete applications will not be considered. Any application post marked after the closing date will not be considered. The permits will be drawn during the third week of October. All applicants will be notified of the lottery results before **October 31, 2014**.

If you are selected for this permit you will be required to submit a \$105 minimum annual fee, signed operating plan, a copy of your current business license, a certificate of proof of insurance stating the U.S. Department of Interior, Bureau of Land Management is additionally insured, and signed SRP stipulations by **November 30, 2014**. If these requirements are not met the permit will be reissued to the next alternate selected during the lottery.

BLM Manual H-2930-1 provides guidelines for all permit fees. Commercial permittees use fees will be the prepaid \$100 minimal annual fee or 3% of gross receipts, whichever is greater. Educational permittees are considered organized groups and use fees will be the prepaid \$105 minimum annual fee or \$5 per person per day for entering any part of RRCNCA, whichever is greater. In addition, all permittees must pay \$2 per person per day for use of the Red Rock Canyon Scenic Byway designated as a Special Fee Area.

Please contact Nick Walendziak if you have any questions. nwalendziak@blm.gov or 702-515-5358. Have a great year.

Sincerely,

Nick Walendziak Red Rock Canyon National Conservation Area Outdoor Recreation Planner, Climbing Lead **Comment [KJL1]:** Lee: please include the \$2 per person Special Area fee language

Comment [KJL2]: Lee: please include the \$2 per person Special Area fee language